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TOPIC ZATEC-North Airfield

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REMARKS

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25X1 1. The new hangar on the western side of the ZATEC-North (N 51/F 10) airfield was under roof on 14 December 1949. The walls, except for the gates, were completed. Work was being done in the interior. The new dwelling houses on the side of the hangar were habitable but were not occupied. Three Czechoslovakian Air Force soldiers were seen in the building area. Grading work was being done near the new building northwest of the field. Volkswagen with an air force soldier beside it, was seen there.

25X1 2. A truck with a box-like superstructure, probably a telephone central, was on the eastern edge of the field. The hangars were closed. The weather was hazy and no aircraft or flying was observed. Sentries and patrols were seen on the eastern and northern edges of the field. A plane of US make, jet aircraft of other planes were not observed. Trucks occupied by Air Force men left the field in the afternoon proceeding in the direction of PRAGUE on the main road north of the field. Passenger cars went in the same direction. A surveying set on which two flying corporals were working was emplaced on the intersection of the main road and the road to TATTINA (N 51/F 10).

3. No other aircraft or the previously observed four-engine plane were seen at the field on 13 and 21 December 1949. The field billets were occupied by a Czechoslovakian Air Force guard detail of about 50 men.

4. The STANKOVICE (N 51/F 11) - BRVANY (N 51/F 21) road was blocked about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile northeast of STANKOVICE on 21 December 1949. A railroad spur track from the east was under construction just south of BITOZEVES (N 51/F 11). The track ran about 180 feet south of the POSTOLOPRTY (N 51/F 21) - CHOMUTOV (N 51/F 02) road as far as the STANKOVICE-BRVANY road. The construction equipment was hauled to the spot by a freight train. The incoming rails, which were already spiked to the ties, were laid by means of a crane.

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5. Three 33-foot piles of wire mats, each mat about 10 meters square, were at the northeastern corner of the field. The mats were presumably to serve in the construction of an emergency runway or taxiway.

25X1 [redacted] Comment:

a. [redacted] no aircraft
were stationed at the field. [redacted]

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c. The construction of a railroad spur track and the storage of wire mats are reported for the first time. The information on the construction of a new hangar on the western edge is confirmed. Besides this hangar, two more hangars are on the eastern edge of the field.

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